

Q. Who is he?

A. He is the Grand Master of this Temple when he was here, and he comes here and then goes back.

Q. When was the last time you saw Rhodes? A. Between 1 and 2 months ago.

Q. Where did you see him then? A. Brother Jones' Temple.

Q. What was he doing there? A. He lectured there that night.

Q. What did he lecture on?

A. He lectured on the Koran and then commented on the Temple, said it was nice.

Q. What did Brother Rhodes say about the Japanese?

A. Now to come back to true facts, Brother Rhodes didn't say anything about the Japs.

Q. Did you ever hear Brother Rhodes say anything about the Japs?

A. No, he never said anything about the Japs.

Q. Did you ever hear anybody in your organization say that they were in favor of the Japanese?

A. No, I haven't.

Q. You want me to believe then, that there has never been any talk in your organization in regards the Japanese?

A. No, if there was, I didn't hear it.

Q. Where were you during the First World War?

A. I was Pastor of a church at Meadville, Pennsylvania.

Q. Did you register for the draft for the First World War?

A. I showed them that I was a minister so they didn't ask me to register.

Q. Are you registered in this draft?

A. I think I did, I registered for so many different things, I may have missed.

Q. Could I see your Draft card? A. I haven't got any.

Note: Checked with Draft Board #3, Flint, Mich., disclosed that subject has failed to register under the Selective Service Act.

Q. Why did you fail to register for the draft?

A. It absolutely slipped by me.

Q. Did anyone tell you not to register for the draft?

A. Nobody told me not to register.

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This is a statement of William McCohron taken in the office of Air Plant Protection, Buick Motor Div., GM, Flint, Mich., in the presence of Detective Murray Young of the Michigan State Police and Frank Kelter, Assistant Investigator, Dec. 22, 1981, at 11:30 a.m., taken by Gary A. Smith.

Mr. McCohron, I wish to advise you of your constitutional rights that you do not have to make any statement to us at this time unless you want to. I also want you to understand that anything you might say in this statement can be used either for or against you at any time and is the property of the U.S. Army Air Forces. Knowing these things, are you willing to make a statement?

A. Yes, I am.

Q. What is your name? A. William McCohron.

Q. Where do you live? A. 11420 Massachusetts Ave., Flint, Mich.

Q. What is the date and place of your birth?

A. Dec. 25, 1892, Shelby County, Tennessee.

Q. Where are you employed and in what capacity?

A. Buick Motor Div., GM, Flint, Michigan, as a rough grinder.

Q. What is your badge number? A. #0307049.

Q. Are you a member of the Moorish Science Temple of America? A. Yes.

Q. How long have you belonged to this organization? A. About 5 years.

Q. What Temple do you belong to? A. Brother Jones' Temple.

Q. How long have you belonged to Brother Jones' Temple?

A. A little over 2 months.

Q. Where did you belong before that? A. Temple #19 on Industrial Avenue.

Q. What kind of an organization is the Moorish Science Temple?

A. It is a religious organization.

Q. Who is at the head of your organization?

A. O. Kirkman Bey from Chicago, who gives the advice.

Q. Have you ever heard any discussion among the members of your organization about the Japanese?

A. I have not.

Q. Do you wish to state now that you have never heard Japanese discussed at any of the meetings that you attended?

A. I have not.

Q. Do you know a man by the name of "Tom Rhodes"? A. Yes.

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Name Charles Gibson
Address 201 N. Durand
Plant Flint
Badge No. 1004048 Social Security No. _____ Position Turnace Repair
Nationality American Descent Negro
Age 38 Place of Birth Mainville, La. Date 7/17/92 Race C
Draft Classification _____ Board No. _____

Description:
Sex Male Bearing _____
Height 5'10" Manner of walking _____
Weight 145 lbs. Address _____
Build Slim Habits _____
Complexion Dark Speech _____
Hair Black curly Associates Boys people
Eyes Brown Type of places frequented Good
Forehead High Disposition _____
Nose Large Personality _____
Ears Medium Organizations _____
Chin _____ Hobbies Fishing and religion
Teeth False teeth _____
Marks or Scars _____
Deformed finger left hand -
3rd large finger
Education 11th grade - Mainville, La.

Foreign Languages None
Police Record None
Citizenship Status American

Port of Entry Does not apply Date _____ Ship _____

Banking Connections Flint Depositors Corp.

Relatives Wife - Nancy Gibson, Daughter - Charley Mae Strong and Willie Lee Gibson.

Employment Record Snick, since 1928
Came from Okla. City, Construction job.

Additional Information Wears small mustache, smokes Lucky Strikes.
Registered with draft board No. 3, Flint, Mich.

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Q. Do you remember being in a meeting at Brother Young's house when this investigation was discussed?

A. Yes, I was there after the investigation.

Q. What was said at this meeting?

A. Well, they said they found some clippings on the Grand Sheikh. He told us we had better be particular how we carried these clippings around. He said they all was going to be investigated.

Q. Didn't Brother Young tell you what to say when you came down here?

A. No, he didn't tell us what to say.

Q. Didn't Brother Young tell you to just tell us about the religious and of the organization, and not to say anything about the Japs?

A. Yes, he said that on account of the clippings.

Q. Did anybody ever tell you that if you told us about this thing, that Allah would drive you crazy or strike you dead?

A. Yes.

This statement is made of my own free will and accord, without any promises or threats having been made to me.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 19th day of December, 1942.

Notary Public, Genesee County, Mich.
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Q. Did Brother Neely hold any meetings here, is that right?

A. Sure, he did.

Q. What did he say at these meetings?

A. He held these meetings and had us pay \$1.50 and we had some pictures taken which he was going to send to Morocco. He asked us if \$150 would be enough to take care of our families when we went to fight. The Moroccan government would send our families \$150 per month because we wouldn't be here to support our family.

Q. Who was you going to fight?

A. I don't know who we was going to fight?

Q. What was you going to fight for? A. I wouldn't say, I don't know.

Q. Are you sworn to any secrecy in this organization?

A. Some women held a meeting and we gave her \$1.50 to affirm our statements, she was like a fortune teller.

Q. Where do the people get the idea that if the Japs win the war the Moorish Americans wouldn't have anything to worry about?

A. I don't know where they get that, ignorant is all I can say.

Q. How do you recall talking that way?

A. Brother Hamilton, Brother George Howell.

Q. What do they say?

A. They say that the Japs are going to win the war and take over everything, that the Japs will protect the Moorish Americans.

Q. When Rhodes organized this outfit, what did he tell you?

A. When he first came he said that if we organized with the Asiatians, we would be the strongest powers in the world, that the Japanese had one of the strongest navies in the world that we should cooperate with them.

Q. What do some of your members still think along the same lines that Rhodes did?

A. Some of them do.

Q. This statement is made of my own free will, no threats or promises have been made to me.

Subscribed and sworn to before this on the eleventh day of December 1942.

CHARLES HAMILTON
WITNESSES:

Notary Public, Seneca County, Mich.
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Statement of Charles Simpson taken in the presence of Frank Holter and Detective Harry Young, Michigan State Police in the office of Air Plant Division, Detroit, Michigan, on 2:00 p.m., Dec. 11, 1943.

Q. Mr. Simpson, I understand that since giving us a statement yesterday that you have been thinking things over and due to the fact that you were nervous and afraid that you made some statements which you wish to correct at this time, is that right?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Yesterday I asked you did any of your congregation feel that they would be better off under Japanese rule than our rule and you answered, no, this was a mistake, was it not?

A. Yes, some of them do feel that way.

Q. Have you heard any of them express themselves as being in favor of the Japanese?

A. From the way they talk, I believe some of them do feel that way.

Q. What do they say about the Japs?

A. They talk that if the Japs would win the war, the members of the Moorish Science Temple wouldn't have to worry as the Japs would take care of them.

Q. Did you ever hear that when the Japanese win the war that they would give the Dulok plant to the Moorish-Americans?

A. I heard brother Rhodes say that there would come a day when everybody would be naturalized and just the Moors would be working at the Dulok.

Q. What did brother Rhodes tell you when you organized this cult?

A. If we organized the whole race that some day we would dominate the entire world.

Q. What did brother Rhodes say about the Japanese?

A. Brother Rhodes said that the Japanese had an awfully strong navy that there was going to be a war but he didn't know when; he said the best men will win the war but he didn't know who that will be; he said that if the darker people unite they would have a better chance but if they didn't we would be destroyed.

Q. Did Rhodes tell you folks to get any guns?

A. We lived in the big ship three or four months without paying any rent, Mr. Leach threatened to run the Moors away, Rhodes advised us to get on guard so that the Moors wouldn't be driven away.

Q. Do you have any military drills in your organization?

A. No, sir, we have none.

Q. Did you have? A. Yes, in 1931 and 32.

Q. What was the purpose of the drills? A. I didn't know what they were for.

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Q. What did they say?

A. They were discussing the war, Germany, Japanese, and everything.

Q. What did they say about the war?

A. They never did say who they thought would win, or who they wanted to win.

Q. Would they ever say they wanted the United States to win?

A. Sure, I heard a lot of them say they wanted the country in which they live (U.S.) to win.

Q. You never heard them express who they wanted to win the war, how could you have heard them express the U.S. to win?

A. They want the United States to win.

Q. How do you know they do?

A. That is the only government they know anything about, I figure.

Q. Well, did they say they wanted the U.S. to win?

A. Sure, they said that, I'll say that myself.

Q. Would you hear any of the members say that they wanted the Japanese to win?

A. No, I haven't.

Q. Have you ever heard any discussions in this organization relative to members being for the Japanese?

A. No, I didn't.

Q. Would you say that all these people in your organization are 100% Americans and doing all in their power to help win this war?

A. All those that attend the meeting are.

Q. This statement is made of my own free will and no threats or promises of any kind have been made.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
10th day of December 1942.

Charles Gibson-Bey

Notary Public - Cassio County, Mich.

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Statement of Charles Gibson-Boy taken in the presence of Frank Zeller and Detective Murray Young, Michigan State Police at the office of Air Plant Protection, Buick Motor Div., GMC, Flint, Mich., at 2:30 p.m., Dec. 30, 1942, taken by Mary M. Roth.

- Q. What is your name? A. Charles Gibson-Boy.
- Q. What is your address? A. 1511 E. Dartmouth, Flint, Mich.
- Q. What is your age? A. 41 1/2 yrs.
- Q. How far did you go in school and where? A. The 4th grade in Haynesville, Louisiana.
- Q. Are you a member of the Moorish Science Temple? A. Yes.
- Q. How long have you been a member of this organization? A. About twelve years.
- Q. Are you an officer of this organization? A. Yes, I am the Treasurer.
- Q. Were you one of the charter members of this organization? A. Yes.
- Q. Do you attend their meetings regularly? A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Do you take an active part in this organization? A. Yes.
- Q. How many members of your organization are sympathetic towards the Japanese? A. None that I know of.
- Q. Does any of your congregation feel that they would be better off under Japanese rule than our rule? A. No.
- Q. Do you know Walter Woodward-Boy, James Gray, Frank Dillard, Eli Eley, William Davis, Len Hopkins, Frank Hamilton, George Howell, James Garrett, Herman MacLean, Colonel Young and Robert Young? A. Sure I know them.
- Q. Have you heard any of these men express their opinion about the war? A. Yes, I heard them discuss it many a time.
- Q. How do they feel towards the war? A. I don't know how they feel, I can only speak for myself.
- Q. Have you ever heard these people talk about the Japanese? A. Yes, I heard them talk about the Japanese.

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Name Wesley Hopkins Day
Address 931 E. McClellan St. Flint, Mich.
Plant Buick Motor Co. Flint, Mich.
Badge No. 1005084 Social Security No.
Nationality American Descent Negro Position Laborer
Age 34 Place of Birth Brown Co., Ark. Date 11/13/03 Race Negro
Draft Classification 1A Board No. at Flint, Mich.
Description:
Sex Male Bearing Normal
Height 5'6" Manner of walking slow
Weight 150 Dress ordinary
Build slender Habits smokes cigarettes chews snuff
Complexion dark brown Speech quiet - slow rate
Hair black Associates member of Moorish Science Temple
Eyes brown Type of places frequented unknown
Forehead normal Disposition quiet
Nose large Personality ordinary
Ears normal Organizations Moorish Science Temple
Chin square Hobbies Baseball & prize fights
Teeth very white, nothing shows
Marks or Scars none
Education 8th Grade - Brownstown, Ark.
Foreign Languages none
Police Record 11/1/27 Susp. Viol. of Prob. law - Released 1/5/27 no complaint
11/27/34 Conspir. to operate a lottery, dismissed 1/6/34, Judge Mallory
Citizenship Status American by birth
Port of Entry Date Ship
Banking Connections None
Relatives Mother & Father - Mr. & Mrs. Rufus Day, 931 McClellan St. Flint
Wife - Lilly Mae Hopkins Day, 931 McClellan St. Flint
Employment Record Worked at Buick Motor Co., since Aug., 13, 1925
Trades None
Additional Information Subject wears a small mustache

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Q. Did Kirkman ever tell you not to talk about these things?

A. Brother Kirkman said, "Don't talk about anything unless you're sure of what you're talking about. You could say things and cause a whole lot of trouble."

Q. Did you ever swear allegiance to any foreign country?

A. When Brother Healy told us that we were going to be made pilots there was a woman who had us swear the fact that we would go to Morocco and learn these things and not tell anyone about it.

Q. Did it ever occur to you that you were part of a conspiracy to overthrow the U.S. Government?

A. No, sir, we were too much taken up with the big money and all the other things they told us that the Japanese were going to do for us.

Q. Did Brother Healy ever tell you anything about General Motors?

A. Yes, sir, Brother Healy told us that after the war was over we would take over part of General Motors.

Q. Why did the people in your organization feel that the Japanese will be their protectors?

A. We've been told that stuff by some of our leaders for ten or eleven years and it's just natural that we feel that way.

Q. What is the present feeling towards the Japs in your organization at this time?

A. To tell you the truth, I can only speak for myself, and I don't see where the Japs can do me any good.

This statement is of my own free will and the truth to the best of my knowledge, without threats or promises of any kind having been made to me.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 12th day of December, 1942.

Notary Public, Genesee County, Michigan
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Statement of Lester Hopkins taken in office of Air Plant Protection, by Investigator Frank Walter in the presence of Detective Murray Young of the Michigan State Police, Flint, Michigan, on December 12, 1947, at 11:30 A.M. taken by Mary A. Roth.

Q. Mr. Hopkins, since talking to you the other day we have decided to ask you some more questions about the Moorish American Science Temple. What did Brother Rhodes tell your people when he started your organization?

A. He told us that there was only one race and that it was the human race and that there were two nationalities, the European and the Asiatic, he said we were organizing with the Asiatics, he said that at one time the darker races had the Europeans or lighter races under slavery. He told us that there was going to be a great war and that we would again rule. He said that Japan had the 2nd largest navy and was prepared to fight our battles for us. That we should unite with Japan and back Japan up. He said that if we were organized we would win.

Q. Do you remember when this Jap agent spoke in Flint? A. Yes.

Q. What did the Jap say? A. The Jap said the same thing that Rhodes told us.

Q. What did Rhodes have to say to you folks after the Jap left?

A. He said, "Many of you folks doubt it that the Japanese was behind us but you heard the Jap say that they were for us and that we should cooperate with the Japanese government."

Q. Did you at one time have your picture taken to send to some foreign government?

A. Yes, Fred Healy-Kl had us get our pictures taken and he said that he was going to send them to Morocco. He asked us how much it would cost us to support our families and said that he was going to send us away to learn to be aviators, pilots, marines, etc., and that the Moroccan government would support our families while we were gone. He told us that we should be trained in case war broke out to help Japan.

Q. Did Rhodes ever tell you that you should get some guns?

A. Yes, he said we should all have a gun to protect ourselves in case of any trouble in this government.

Q. Did you ever have any military drills?

A. Yes, Col. Staffans Ali used to give us military drills. He was the head of our military intelligence here. We drilled once a week on Thursday nights, we were divided into squads of eight and each squad had a corporal, we had about three or four squads at drill.

Q. Who was Col. Ali? A. He came from Detroit, he wore a uniform that was made similar to army officer's uniform.

Q. Did you ever talk to Charles Kirkman regarding whether you were doing right or not by cooperating with the Japanese?

A. No, I never did because I felt that the local leaders knew what they were doing and took it for granted that we were all in this together.

Q. In what position? A. Forinner.

Q. How often do you hold your meetings?

A. Twice a week, Fridays and Sundays. Sometimes we have meetings on Tuesday nights, which we call Shaik Meetings.

Q. How many Shaiks do you have? A. About 35.

This statement is of my own free will and the truth to the best of my knowledge, without threats or promises of any kind having been made to me.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 19th day of November, 1942.

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Notary Public, Genesee County, Mich.
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Murray Young, Detective,
Michigan State Police,
Flint Post.

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Q. How does he travel? A. By train or bus.

Q. Who finances his travelling expenses?

A. The members all contribute enough to send him from one place to another.

Q. How does the organization tell about the War?

A. We feel that we were attacked, and must fight to protect our rights.

Q. Are you buying War Bonds? A. Yes.

Q. How many? A. Three \$25 bonds.

Q. Does Charlie Kirkman ever carry a gun or badge?

A. I never saw a gun, but I have seen a badge.

Q. Do you know what organization the badge represents? A. I don't know.

Q. Are there any other members of the police organization who belong to your organization?

A. I don't know.

Q. Does he bring any literature with him? A. No more than the Koran.

Q. How do you determine whether your name will be Boy or El? A. I don't know.

Q. Are there any other temple in Flint?

A. Yes, there is another one across the tracks. They are located on St. Johns St., Walter Jones-Boy is the Grand Sheikh at this temple.

Q. Are you affiliated with these organizations in Chicago?

A. Only with the Moorish Science Temple.

Q. Is your organization affiliated with the organization who had certain members who failed to register for the Draft?

A. No.

Q. What does Charlie Kirkman do for a living?

A. I don't know. I heard that the Government supports him.

Q. I understand that there is a chair in your hall for the Prophet when he returns. What about it?

A. All I know is that it sets there, I don't know what for?

Q. If you have been going up to this place since 1931, how do you explain what this chair is for?

A. I don't know.

Q. You are now employed by the Buick Motor Div., GM, Flint, Mich.?

A. Yes, for 18 years.

because you are not, as the colored peoples, like the Ethiopians. These names were given to you by white rulers. You are a true descendant of your ancient forefathers, without a doubt a contradiction. Learn to love instead of hate."

Q. What did he prophesy? A. He said nothing.

Q. May all they call him a prophet? A. I don't know.

Q. Why do you feel he is a prophet?

A. He taught me that there is no hell, that they have dug thousands of feet into the ground, and have not found any fire; that a man's heaven or hell is in his own state of mind, or whatever he makes it, and that there is no hereafter.

Q. Do you believe in a Supreme Being? A. Yes.

Q. In what way?

A. I believe that there is a Supreme Being who gives us the truth of life, and takes life away.

Q. If you don't believe in a hereafter, what do you figure happens to this life after it is taken away?

A. I don't know.

Q. What connection is there between Noble Drew Ali and the Supreme Being?

A. He said he was the son of Allah, who is our Supreme Being.

Q. How do you know that he is the son of Allah?

A. He said, "I was prepared by my father, Allah, and sent to this earth."

Q. Who was his mother? A. I don't know, I never heard him say.

Q. When did he make this statement? A. In 1913.

Q. At that time he was 27, and what proof did he show that he was what he claimed to be?

A. He brought the Koran, for one thing which is something we had never seen, and we believe what the Koran says about him.

Q. Does the Koran mention his name? A. Sure.

Q. How many members do you have in your organization at the present time?

A. Approximately three or four hundred.

Q. Who issued your charter? A. Charlie Kirkman-Bey.

Q. Where is he located? A. In Chicago.

Q. What is his position? A. Advisor.

Q. Is he still with the organization? A. Sure.

Q. Does he ever come to Flint? A. Sure.

Q. For what purpose? A. To see how the Moors are getting along.

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- Q. When was this organization organized? A. 1913.
- Q. Who organized it? A. Prophet Noble Drew Ali.
- Q. Where was it organized? A. Newark, New Jersey.
- Q. How do you know that Noble Drew Ali was a prophet?
- A. The only way I know is by what the people in the organization tell me.
- Q. When was the Wint branch of this organization organized? A. In 1931.
- Q. By whom? A. Thomas Rhodes-Bey.
- Q. Where is he now? A. Down in Detroit.
- Q. What position does he now hold? A. Grand Sheikh.
- Q. Were you a charter member of this organization? A. Sure.
- Q. How many charter members is there of this organization. A. Eight or nine.
- Q. What were the names of these charter members?
- A. Myself, my wife, Millie May; my father, Rufus Hopkins; my mother, Anna Hopkins; John Sumner; James Nelson and wife; Herman McClain and wife, Mary Daniels; Robert Youngs; Col. Youngs; Manie Black (who is now Col. Young's wife.)
- Q. You are now an ordained minister in this temple? A. That's right.
- Q. How do you finance this organization?
- A. Through dues, little entertainments such as hot dogs and hamburgers, dance.
- Q. How much are your dues? A. 50¢ a month.
- Q. Who is now the Grand Sheikh? A. James Nelson-Bey.
- Q. Who is the secretary? A. Manie Youngs.
- Q. How do you classify this organization? A. It is a religious organization.
- Q. What do you teach. A. Love, truth, peace, freedom and justice.
- Q. What do you teach along racial lines?
- A. We teach the so-called colored man that he is not a Negro but a Moorish-American.
- Q. What do you mean by Moorish American?
- A. We are descendants of Moors born in America; which makes us Moorish-Americans.
- Q. Tell us what you know about Noble Drew Ali.

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- A. Noble Drew Ali wrote the Koran, which is the basis of our organization. He was born in North Carolina, in 1886, and in this Koran he says, "I am a Divine Prophet. We need to learn to love instead of hate. Come all you Asiatics of North America, and learn your nationality and birthright,

Statement of Les Hopkins taken in office of Air Protection, by Asst. Investigators Frank Zeiter and Durward Harrell, in the presence of Detective Murray Young, Michigan State Police, Flint, Michigan, on November 19, 1942.

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- Q. What is your name? A. Leslie Hopkins-Boy.
- Q. What is your address? A. 2274 Spencer, Flint, Michigan.
- Q. What is your age? A. 39.
- Q. How far did you go in school? A. Eight grade, in Brownstown, Ark.
- Q. Where do you get the name "Boy"? A. That is my tribe name.
- Q. What tribe? A. The "Boy" tribe.
- Q. How do you know that you are a member of the Boy tribe? A. That's what I'm told.
- Q. Who told you? A. The prophet, Noble Drew Ali.
- Q. This prophet has been dead for many years, has he not? A. Yes he died in 1928 A.D.
- Q. How could he have told you that you are a member of your tribe?
- A. That's what he told the organization, and they brought it down since 1913.
- Q. How could he have told them that you were a member of that tribe when he was dead?
- A. You must have misunderstood me, he died in the year, 1928 A.D.
- Q. How does he know that you were a member of his tribe? A. I don't know.
- Q. When did you join this organization? A. 1931.
- Q. How could he have told you that you were a member when he was dead at the time you joined?
- A. He didn't tell me; he told the organization.
- Q. Did he tell the organization that you specifically were a member of the Boy tribe?
- A. He told the members of the organization at that time that all members were either Kls or Boys.
- Q. How did he determine which tribe you belong to -- Kls or Boys?
- A. I don't know.
- Q. How do you know whether you are a Boy or an Kls? A. I don't know.
- Q. It must be by the name -- Hopkins, Boy.
- Q. What is the name of this organization? A. Moorish Science Temple of America.
- Q. Where does the word "Science" enter the picture?
- A. I don't know, that's just the name of it.

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Q. What did he tell you you should say?

A. He said not to speak about the Japanese. I said, "What do you mean, we are going to tell the truth about it."

Q. When what did he say?

A. He walked off and said, "You better not say anything about it."

Q. Who was present when Young told you not to say anything about it?

A. Gibson, myself, Jack Young and his wife.

Q. Were you sure these things you have told us, these statements are true?

A. Yes, Sir, to the best of my ability.

James Nelson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
19th day of December, 1942.

Notary Public, Seneca County, Mich.
My commission expires

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Q. May we suppose to move your families to safety home?

A. Because the Japanese would know that we are in the safety home, and they wouldn't bomb us.

Q. After your families had been moved to the safety home, what were the men supposed to do?

A. They were supposed to stay here, leaving their families in the safety home in the Mexican home.

Q. What were the men supposed to do here?

A. The men were supposed to fight for the Japanese; that we were supposed to tear things up, set houses on fire to make lights.

Q. When were you supposed to set these fires?

A. He didn't say when; only when he gives the orders.

Q. Did Rhodes tell you that all the other temples in the United States were cooperating in this movement?

A. No, sir.

Q. Where did Rhodes tell you that you would get the equipment to fight with?

A. He said the Italians and foreign people had plenty of guns.

Q. How did he say you would get them? A. He didn't say how we would get them.

Q. There was Rhodes when he made this speech to you? A. He was in the Temple.

Q. Was this a regular meeting? A. It was a regular meeting.

Q. All your members know about this, what took place at this meeting?

A. Just those that were at the meeting, as far as I know.

Q. Do you discuss at your regular meetings how you will cooperate with the Japs?

A. No, sir.

Q. How do you explain that Brother Rhodes, being a Grand Sheikh out of Detroit made this talk at a regular meeting?

A. We do discuss these things at our regular meetings, usually after the regular meeting is over.

Q. Were you ever told not to tell us about the Jap side of the question, but to only tell us about the religious side of it?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Who told you not to tell us? A. Jack Young.

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Q. Well, since the last time we've talked to you, we have learned a lot more about your organization and we feel that there are a lot more things that you could tell us, so we want to ask you some questions about it. When was Brother Rhodes last here in Flint?

A. As near as I can remember, it was before Thanksgiving, I don't know what date.

Q. Did he talk at the temple at that time? A. Yes, Jack Young called him to the floor.

Q. What did he talk about?

A. He had just buried his wife, he said, and refused to talk at this time.

Q. Aren't you mistaken about that? Didn't Brother Rhodes talk to the congregation the last time he was here?

A. That was either the last time, or the time before. I know that he talked.

Q. What do you remember he said the last time that he talked to your people?

A. He was telling the people about the old folks' Moorish home. He told them not to work too fast, because "You folks don't know," and the congregation got mad at him, and you could hear grumbling all over the house. He further said that the skies were going to be thick with airplanes; that Japan was going to strike from the North, and come south to America; and he said that you people might as well get ready. The best thing for you folks to do, he said, is put up all something to eat you possibly can, to do you all until the ships come from Egypt. And when they arrive, they will have food for everybody, and this stuff will come in front of the temple where it will be divided out, to each one his share. And also, he told the congregation that Brother Kirkman was no more than he was because he said he walked and talked with the Prophet as same as Brother Kirkman. He said, "You have just as much right to believe me as to believe Brother Kirkman." The only thing, all the Prophet's works was turned over to Brother Kirkman by the authority of the court." I have these records at my house. They are court records from Chicago.

Q. Did Brother Rhodes tell you people that you would be notified when the Japs come?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. How were you going to be notified? A. I don't know unless it would be through him.

Q. After you were to be notified that the Japs are coming, what are you supposed to do with your families?

A. We are supposed to move them to safety zones.

Q. Did he tell you where these safety zones were? A. No, sir.

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Q. Yes, I believe if they had to change their mind, they would throw me out.
A. In order for your people to have this strong belief towards the Japs,
somebody higher up would have to tell them this stuff, who is this higher
Charles Kirkman-Boy

Q. What has he told them?

A. He told them that he thought Japan would win the war.

Q. What have your people said in regard to what they could do towards helping
the Japs?

A. They said, they could fight if they had something to fight with.

Q. Did they ever talk about how they could get the stuff to fight with?

A. If the Japs came in power, they would give us some.

Q. You are sure that these statements that you have made today are absolutely
the truth, and that any statement you made before were made because you
were afraid.

A. Absolutely, yes.

Q. Do you realize that the things you have told us in this statement show a
definite spirit to overthrow the United States Government?

A. It might mean that, but the prophet doesn't mean that.

Q. Didn't any of your people ever discuss with you what would happen if the
authorities learned of your plans?

A. Oh, yes, but they didn't seem to care.

This statement is made of my own free will, no threats or promises were
made to me.

JAMES NELSON

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 11th day of December 1942.

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Q. Are they gaining in strength or losing in strength or holding their own?

A. It seems like they're holding their own. In fact, it is kind of cool down here. They don't know very much.

Q. Do you think that is because that they are against the organization and kind of swinging back towards the American way or because they think they're afraid we will find out what is going on?

A. Well, it seems to me that they're getting kind of leery that maybe some of that talking they've been doing might get out. Because you don't hear them talking and they don't talk much about in the place. Then they used old man Gray and the old fellow that had the Packard, and the old Crick on the corner, oh, a bunch of them used to be in there. But you don't hear them any more.

I, _____, This statement is made of my own free will, and no threats or promises of any kind have been made to me.

Charles Logan

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Q. What do you mean by pistols and badges?

A. Any sort of badges like you have.

Q. Like a policeman? A. Yes.

Q. Have you ever seen it? A. Yes, I've seen it good.

Q. Do you know whether any of these fellows have guns at this time?

A. Well, I don't know. This guy may, but that one drives that big truck, he carries one and there is another fellow. I don't know where his headquarters is, something like Pete Perry, just a little shade lighter than Pete.

Q. Did you ever ask them if they had a gun permit or anything?

A. No, they was talking there one day and they introduced me to this fellow and he's getting down off the stand.

Q. This fellow that drives a truck, you say?

A. Yes, he drives one.

Q. He has a badge, too?

A. No, he has a pistol.

Q. But this brown-skinned fellow has a badge and a pistol. Do you know whether he is a police officer or not?

A. I don't know that, Frank, but he has that badge and pistol.

Q. Has there been any effort put forth by this group to obtain shot guns, rifles, or ammunition, that you know of?

A. No.

Q. Do you know of any guns or artilleries that they would have?

A. No.

Q. You remember back when the Buick Plant Protection officer got beat up? Was there any discussion among this group of people as to that?

A. The two guys did that, they didn't belong to that.

Q. I know that, Charlie, but was there any discussion among any of the people about that?

A. No, I thought one of the guys was in it belongs to that meeting, but it wasn't. One of them was Dillard. No, I have never heard no discussion about it.

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A. Well, it feels like that is ignorant as the day is long. I think it is one of the most ignorantest dumbest tricks that they could ever build up a foundation on. The black colored people think it's fools that's all and tells them that. There is a preacher there, Reverend Blue, he lives way up on Industrial. He bawls them out so much sometimes telling them about it. Nobody associates with the kind of people just their bunch, that's all.

Q. Do you remember any statements that came up to make you know the fact, something was said to you, to convey the idea to you to reform your opinion?

A. Oh, yes, I've had a whole lot of conversations with different people's bringing up a discussion that they is a 100% with these people.

Q. Would they be a group of people standing and talking?

A. Oh, I got a place. Sometimes they come in, maybe it would be a swarm there, that's been they, six or seven months ago when they used to talk quite a bit.

Q. Since the war?

A. No, since it's been going good, they don't. When a whole lot of the boys came back, when they were then talking, I'm telling you guys better get away. Standing on a corner and another man may walk up to you and everything you may be saying and somebody might come there sometimes and take all of you away from here, take you to a jail?

Q. You feel that they are all including you in the conversation?

A. Well, at the time, it was looking like they was trying to get everybody interested and in the organization, see, and I was there under them. They would have some kind of meeting, I'm down there having a poolroom. I kind of laugh and talk with them, try to keep the good will of them.

Q. When you speak of these big meetings where did these outsiders come from?

A. Well, it was kind of a social gathering, you know.

Q. Any of the colored people can go there?

A. Yes, anyone that wants to go. You hardly see any kind of outside, you know. Of course, when a bunch of them come to it, I, of course make money on them. They buy -----.

Q. This fellow from Chicago that drives a truck?

A. There's some real big shots; some of them got badges and pistols.

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Q. What did he say?

A. He said that in 1942 or 43 nobody would work in the United States unless they were members of the Moorish American Temple and were the Fed. He said you people can come up and write your name and he says, "How much money would it take to run your family a month." Some said \$600, some said \$400, some said \$700, some of them said \$500, that was most of the members. He said now you all going to fight. He said, "fight who?" He said, "fight the United States." You may have to go out of the United States to fight, you need this money for your families when you leave them. You all going to town to have your picture taken. I went down town to have my picture taken. He said, "You will bring the pictures back to me I am going to send them to Morocco." He brought the pictures back. After he left here he went to Detroit. All of these people had to sign up, he collected the money, he goes back to Detroit. He said he was going to send this to Morocco. Some of the brothers happened to go over there one Sunday and they saw all the pictures in the trash basket. He had gone to town and bought him a \$700 coat, that is the last I heard of that.

Q. Are you sworn to secrecy in this organization?

A. Some woman with a funny name, she took them one by one in a little room after they paid off the community bill, she said, "Now hold up your hand and swear." She said something, I didn't hear what she said. Then she said, "Give me \$2.50." Then she said, "Swear that you will keep this a secret, not to let it out." She said, "Now give me \$2.50." everybody in there gave \$2.50. If they didn't have it, they borrowed it. I was the last one, she called for me, I came in, she said, "\$2.50." I said, "What for?" "I don't pay no \$2.50, I paid \$3 upstairs, what is the \$2.50 for." She said, "If you don't pay \$2.50, you can get out of here and stay away." Healy came over to my house and told me, "You see this ring on my finger, when I come out with \$2.50 you won't see this ring." I wasn't going to pay no \$2.50, I don't pay a penny and after that about a week we heard what come off. He take the money, I don't know what they done with it.

Q. How do you keep the proceedings of your meetings, etc., a secret?

A. We believe that brothers and sisters should not harm one another unless they have done something that violates the rules and beliefs of the Moorish Science Temple and the prophets laws. We believe that Alla is love, and when you love Alla, you love one another.

Q. Does your congregation feel that they would be better off under Japanese rule than our rule?

A. They did feel that way, but they don't feel that way now.

Q. Have you seen any change in your organization in regards the Japs?

A. No, sir, I haven't.

Q. Then you don't know that they have changed their opinion? A. No.

Q. If your congregation knew that you have changed your mind and decided that you were for America, that they would still keep you as their leader?

A. I don't believe they would.

Q. Do you honestly believe that your people are 100% for the Japs and that they would take somebody bigger than you to change their minds?

Q. How much ammunition did they have?

A. I know they had ammunition but I don't know how much.

Q. Would any of these people have guns before Rhodes told them to get hold of some?

A. I never heard of one.

Q. Did you hold any military drills in your organization?

A. Yes, we used to do, right face, left face, etc. Brother Ranzalles Woodson went to the Army and before he went he said he wouldn't have that to learn because he had already taught this.

Q. How long was Rhodes in Flint? A. About three years.

Q. Did you people believe what he was teaching? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Do you mean to say that you people actually believed that the day was coming when you would run these plants and have the white people working for you?

A. At that time we did, because we didn't know any better.

Q. How did Rhodes happen to leave here? A. They got tired of him, and voted him out.

Q. Was that when they made you the Grand Sheikh?

A. Yes, they made me the Grand Sheikh and George Green my assistant.

Q. Did you continue to teach along these same lines?

A. No sir, I teach the Koran.

Q. Well, while you were the Grand Sheikh this Japanese Major came here to Flint and you went to hear him talk, what did he say?

A. The Jap said, "I came here to organize the colored people, Flint is the hardest place I struck at. I have people all over the U.S. organized. I have them in the South, if you people don't organize it is going to be too bad for you because I am leaving here for Washington and then I am going home. Our first step is in India then when we leave India we are coming to America, you are the same people that we are and if you are not organized together, you will have to suffer with the rest of them."

Q. Isn't it true that after you became the Grand Sheikh, that brother Rhodes would come here to Flint and talk along the original lines of the organization?

A. Yes.

Q. Then your people still believed that the Japanese would save them? A. Yes.

Q. Do you know brother Healey from Detroit? A. Yes sir.

Q. Did he ever talk here in Flint?

A. Yes, sir, about the time we were first organized.

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Statement of James Nelson taken in the presence of Frank Zelter and Murray Stearns, Detective, Michigan State Police, at the office of the Air Plant Protection, Motor Div., M.C., Flint, Michigan, Dec. 21, 1942, at 11:30 a.m., taken by Mary M. Beth.

Q. Now, Nelson, you have given us two statements relative to the Moorish American Science Temple and now you tell us that you want to tell us the whole story about this organization. You have asked for the opportunity to show that you are a good American citizen, that you are willing to cooperate with the U.S. Army in every way possible. Why didn't you tell us the truth in the other two statements?

A. I was afraid of the people connected with the Moorish Science Temple that didn't want me to tell the truth.

Q. Who were these people?

A. It is the general opinion that any of us that talked to any of the authorities we would be done away with.

Q. Now, Jim, let's start at the beginning and let the facts as you know them about the Moorish Science Temple?

A. Brother Rhodes came here in 1931 and started the organization. He told us people that we colored people should organize with him; that he had 52 nations behind him and that "all traitors must die, we have 52 nations behind us and we will be protected by the Japanese". That when we became strong enough that we could take over everything in this country that we could even go down town to buy houses and live; that the Japs would take over the plants here in Flint and give them the Moorish Science Temple and that everybody would have to work for us.

Q. How was the Japs going to get these plants?

A. They was going to fight for them.

Q. Did Rhodes tell you people that you would have to fight with the Japs?

A. No sir, he said that the Japanese would be our protectors, that we wouldn't have to fight.

Q. Did he ever tell you to get hold of some firearms?

A. Oh, yes, about four or five months after we have been organized he came back and told us that we needed guns.

Q. What did he say you needed guns for? A. To fight with.

Q. Who was you going to fight?

A. We were going to fight the United States, that's the way I understood it.

Q. Did any of the members get a hold of any guns?

A. Yes, there were six of them that I saw.

Q. What kind of guns were they?

A. There was one single barrel shot gun, one double barrel shot gun, one rifle, a pistol.

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Q. Does your congregation feel that they would be better off under Japanese rule than our rule?

A. Some of them does feel that way, but not all of them.

Q. Who are the ones that feel that way?

A. Walter Woodard Day, James Grey, Frank Dillard, Eli May, William Davis, Charles Gibson, Elie Hopkins, Frank Hamilton, George Howell, James Varrett, Herman McLain, Colonel Young, Robert Young.

Q. What do these people say about Japan?

A. They want the Japanese to win because they feel that they will be treated better under their rule.

Q. Why don't you get these people out of your organization?

A. We are going to try to. Charlie Kirkman said he was going to get them out.

Q. Did you tell Charlie Kirkman that you had a large number of your organization that had that feeling towards the Japanese?

A. Yes, he said that he knew it.

Q. What is your average attendance at these meetings? A. About 35.

Q. How many of these 35 would you say are sympathetic toward the Japs?

A. Out of 35, about half of them.

Q. How far do you think these people's feelings toward Japan go? In other words, how far would they go to further Japan's cause?

A. I don't think they could do anything detrimental, outside of talk.

Q. When do you mostly hear talk about these Japanese?

A. Just after the Japs win a battle, they seem to be pretty happy.

Q. Have these people tried to convince you that the Japanese were right?

A. No, they just express their opinion about it.

Q. What makes the people feel that way towards Japan?

A. I can't answer that, I don't know.

Q. What do you think should be done with these colored people that are rooting for Japan?

A. Throw them out of the organization and let them loose.

This statement is made of my own free will, no threats or promises were made to me.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of November 1942.

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Q. Now, the other day you gave us a statement in which there were many discrepancies and I understand that at this time you wish to straighten yourself out and tell us the truth as a good American citizen. Is that right?

A. Yes.

Q. In regard to the newspaper clippings, you told us that you didn't know anything about them. What do you have to say about this?

A. To come back to clarify part of that statement that I gave you the other day, I tried to protect the members of my congregation but feel now that I should tell you the truth about those clippings.

Q. Where did the clippings come from?

A. They came from Brother Young and Sister Howell.

Q. How did they happen to bring them to you?

A. They brought them to me to convince me that the Japanese were winning and that I should swing over to the side of the Japanese.

Q. Have you had any conversations with any of your congregation in regard to the Japs winning the war?

A. Yes, that has been discussed.

Q. What did they say?

A. They saw where the Japs sunk something and they thought that the Japanese were winning and would win the war.

Q. Do you have much trouble with your people trying to get them to see the American way of living?

A. Yes, sir, I have had that trouble.

Q. How does it come about?

A. We read in the Koran that "the key of civilization was and is in the hands of the Asiatic Nation." Some of our people think that this means that the Japanese will control the world.

Q. I asked you the other day if you saw the Jap that was here, you told us that you didn't. Now I understand that you wish to correct this statement. What is the truth about this?

A. I did go over to the church and saw the Jap. We were looking for the prophet to return and we thought that the Jap was the prophet.

Q. Did you ask the Jap to come over to your organization?

A. I invited him over but he refused.

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Q. What is your feeling regarding the racial problem?
A. I feel that everyone is treated alike, and that we are fighting for one common cause.

Q. Do you know the form of government that exists in Morocco? A. No.

Q. Do you have any guns in your possession? A. No.

Q. Are there any members of any police organization in your organization?

A. Not that I know of, except Charles Kirkman-Bey who wears a star.

Q. What does this star represent? A. I wouldn't know as I never asked him.

Q. When you show me another clipping that Detective Young saw in your pocket entitled "Marines Honor White Flag, 26 Die", written by Sgt. Richard T. Wright, how did this get in your pocket?

A. I frankly do not know.

Q. Are you surprised that these are in your pocket? A. Yes.

Q. All these clippings seem to deal with Japanese victories, and you still wish to say that you don't know how they were found in your possession?

A. No.

Note: These clippings deal with Japanese victories, and were not voluntarily given to us by this subject. Earlier in the day this investigator found two of these clippings in a pamphlet which the subject showed to me. I did not question him about them at this time. During the taking of this statement I asked to see this pamphlet and at this time the clippings were missing from the pamphlet and found on the person of the subject.

Q. Do you know of any subversive groups operating among the Negroes in Flint?

A. No, sir, I do not.

Q. If you hear of any subversive groups in the city, would you get in contact with us?

A. Yes.

This statement is of my own free will and the truth to the best of my knowledge, without threats or promises of any kind having been made to me.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
10th day of November, 1942.
Notary Public, Genesee County, Michigan
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Frank Zeiter, Ass't Investigator US
Durwood W. Harrel, Ass't Investigator
US Air Corps
Murray Young, Detective Michigan
State Police, Flint Post.

Q. Would this man ever come to your house? A. No.

Q. When don't you know anything about it? A. No.

Q. You saw some clippings in your book relative to a statement of Representative Marilyn Hansen of Minnesota, which stated that the tanks were losing the Pacific Battle, how did you happen to have this clipping?

A. That clipping was put in my book. I don't know how it got there.

Q. You just handed me a newspaper clipping from your pocket entitled "World Indifference", written by Charles R. Bradish, special correspondent of "Baltimore Sun", which states that America is directly periled seems obvi-
tripped by optimism. This was taken from a paper dated Oct. 30, 1942.
Why did you have this clipping?

A. I never saved it.

Q. How did you happen to have it in your pocket? A. Picked them up by mistake.

Q. How did you happen to cut these clippings out of the papers?

A. I didn't cut them out.

Q. We've found three newspaper clippings in your possession dealing with the Japanese in the War, and you explained to us that you don't know where they come from or how they got in your hands, so you feel that the Japanese are Asiatic the same as you are?

A. Only to the extent of other Asiatic countries.

Q. Are you in favor of the Japanese winning this war? A. No.

Q. Do you believe that the U.S. is right in this War? A. Absolutely yes.

Q. Did you ever tell anybody that the Japanese were right in this War and would win?

A. No.

Q. Are you perfectly willing to bear arms in defense of this country? A. Yes.

Q. Did you ever discuss the war with any members of your congregation? A. Yes.

Q. In what way? A. That the U.S. was right in what she was doing.

Q. Are you buying any War Bonds? A. No, not at this time, but we are going to start.

Q. To your knowledge is this temple helping financially or otherwise members of Negro organization that were arrested in Chicago?

A. No, not them.

Q. What is this money you are sending to Chicago for?

A. This money was sent to C. Kirkman-Bey to help fight the people that are trying to wreck the Moorish Science Temple.

Q. I'll ask you again that, did this Japanese man that was in Flint ever frequent your house or hold conversations with you? A. No.

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statement of Charles Gibson, taken in the presence of 1st. Investigators Frank Alter and Edward A. Harrell, Army Air Forces, War Department, and Murray Young, Michigan State Police, in the office of Air Plant Protection, at 4:25 p.m. September 19, 1942, taken by D. W. Harrell:

Q. What is your name? A. Charles Gibson.

Q. Charley, since the last time we've talked to you, we have reason to believe that you can tell us a lot more about the Moorish Temple. When was the last time Brother Rhodes talked to the congregation at the Temple?

A. That was a little before Thanksgiving.

Q. What did he say about the Japs when he spoke?

A. He said they had a powerful army, and he said some day they would rule the darker class of people. He went on to state about this destruction that was coming. He said there was great destruction ahead of the nation. He said if we didn't have our lives in Allah's hands, we would be lost. Then he went on to talk about Germany. He said they had a powerful navy, and he went on to say what he had taken the last two years, the different nations, etc. He said if he didn't stop, he would be the ruler of Europe. He said this was sure to come because the prophet said so; that we might just as well look for it. Then he said there would be a time here in this government that you couldn't even buy something to eat; that if you had the money, you couldn't use it. He said the day would come when you can't buy it. Then he said you could just look for it, that the elements was going to be dark with planes, and that there wouldn't be anywhere to hide. He stated that there would be ships sent to this country to the good Moors; he said there would be food and stuff on these ships for the good Moors. He said there was going to be a safety zone. He said there never was a war in any country unless they had a safety zone.

Q. What did he say about the safety zone?

A. He said the good Moors would be protected in this safety zone, and that the traitors would die.

Q. What did he say about destruction?

A. He said the elements would be dark with planes, and that there would be great destruction.

Q. Did he tell you you would be notified when the time came? A. Yes.

Q. How were they going to notify you? A. He said the Grand Sheikh would notify us.

Q. Did he tell you that you should fight for Japan? A. Yes, he did.

Q. Did he say how the Japs would get here?

A. He said through Alaska, or California.

Q. Did he say that you would know about what was coming, and that nobody else would?

A. That's right.

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